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Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, it is requested that the

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in the above-identified case.

1. Japanese Patent Application Publication No. 2001-256305, dated
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The above-cited reference was cited in an International Search Report dated

January 14, 2003 received. Applicant is submitting a copy of the above-cited reference,

together with a copy of the Search Report. The relevance of the above-identified reference

has been described in the Search Report.

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		2001-256305	9/21/2001	Japan				

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